IN THE MISSOURI COURT OF APPEALS WESTERN DISTRICT

COMPLETE TITLE OF CASE

ISAAC ROBERTS,

Appellant,

v.

DOROTHY L. ROBERTS,

Respondent.

DOCKET NUMBER WD74995

MISSOURI COURT OF APPEALS WESTERN DISTRICT

DATE: February 26, 2013

APPEAL FROM

The Circuit Court of Jackson County, Missouri The Honorable William S. Richards, Judge

JUDGES

Division I: Pfeiffer, P.J., and Howard and Ahuja, JJ.

CONCURRING.

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MISSOURI APPELLATE COURT OPINION SUMMARY MISSOURI COURT OF APPEALS, WESTERN DISTRICT

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	Appellant,)	
v.	11 ,)	OPINION FILED:
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Before Division I Judges: Mark D. Pfeiffer, Presiding Judge, and Victor C. Howard

and Alok Ahuja, Judges

Isaac Roberts ("Father") appeals the judgment of the Circuit Court of Jackson County, Missouri ("trial court") dissolving his marriage to Dorothy Roberts ("Mother"), awarding the parties joint legal and joint physical custody of their daughter, and awarding Mother child support in the amount of \$428 per month. On appeal, Father claims that the trial court's judgment was in error because it improperly utilized the split-custody method of calculating the presumed correct child support amount.

REVERSED AND REMANDED.

Division I holds:

The trial court in this case improperly calculated two separate Form 14s, one showing Mother paying child support to Father and another showing Father paying child support to Mother. The trial court then subtracted one Form 14 amount from the other and awarded support in the amount of the difference (\$428 per month) from Father to Mother. This dual-Form 14 method of calculating child support is appropriate only for split-custody cases. The present case, where there is only one child and both parents share joint custody, does not involve split custody, and therefore, the trial court's support award was in error.

Opinion by: Mark D. Pfeiffer, Presiding Judge February 26, 2013

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